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Serial No.: 10/563,906 Art Unit:
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Customer Number 27267

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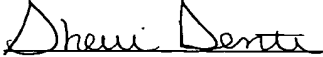
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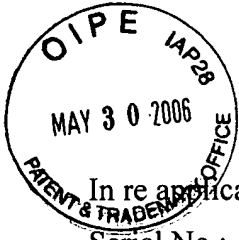


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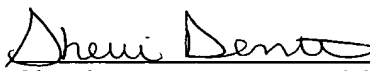
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1. U.S. Patent No. 6,812,552, which issued November 2, 2004 to Islam et al.
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,498,099, which issued December 24, 2002 to McLellan et al.
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,223,429, which issued May 1, 2001 to Kaneda et al.
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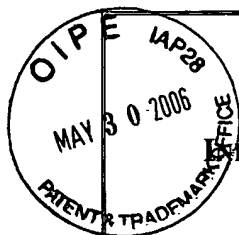
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